



The Pipeline

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2020 Taxes & Tolls Information

Parcel Taxes fund a “Renewal Reserve Fund” that is used for the replacement and upgrade of all existing water infrastructure. **There has been no increase to Parcel tax rates for 2020.**

Fire Protection Taxes fund all operational, training and renewal costs (equipment and vehicles) for the Deep Bay Volunteer Fire Department. **There has been no increase to Fire Protection taxes for 2020.**

Fire Hall Building Renewal Taxes (estimated at \$33,042 for 2020) will be applied against the fire hall construction costs to reduce the final long-term borrowing amount once the project has been completed. **Building Renewal taxes remain unchanged for 2020.**

Classification*	Parcel Tax	Fire Protection Tax	Fire Hall Building Renewal	2020 Total Taxes	2019 Total Taxes
A (residential)	\$243	\$276	\$50	\$569	\$569
B1	\$274	\$282	\$52	\$608	\$608
B2	\$274	\$1562	\$276	\$2112	\$2112
C	\$686	\$656	\$116	\$1458	\$1458
D1	\$1509	\$939	\$166	\$2614	\$2614
D2	\$1509	\$2355	\$414	\$4278	\$4278
E1	\$243	\$276	\$50	\$569	\$569
E2	\$243	\$276	\$50	\$569	\$569
E3	\$243	\$276	\$50	\$569	\$569

*The majority of properties in the DBID are residential and classified in Group A. Full definitions of the property classifications are included with your Assessment Notice.

THIS IS NOT AN INVOICE

2020 Parcel & Fire Protection Tax invoices will be mailed in early January along with the Quarterly Water Tolls invoice.

Tolls will be due the first week of February and taxes will be due on February 28th.

PAYMENT OPTIONS:

- Pre Authorized Payment (PAP) Plan - applications available from the office and on the website. **PAP Plan is available for all financial institutions.**
- On-line/Telephone banking - set up for most financial institutions (not available for HSBC, National or RBC).
- E-Transfer – NEW! See your financial institution for details
- Cheque or Cash - in person at the office. Cheques can also be mailed - please do not mail cash.

Quarterly Water Tolls fund the operating budget for Waterworks. **Rates were adjusted for 2019 and will remain unchanged for 2020.**

Base rate: \$39/quarter (no water allowance)

Consumption tiers are as follows:

1-50 cubic meters: \$.51/m³

51-100 cubic meters: \$.62/m³

>100 cubic meters: \$1.03/m³



Assessment Notices

Enclosed in this mailing is your Annual Assessment Notice. The DBID is required, under Sec. 709 of the *Local Government Act*, to send this notice annually to inform property owners of how their land is being assessed by the district. **This notice is for your information only and does not require any action on your part unless you disagree with your property classification.**

Deep Bay Fire Hall Project

Progress is continuing on the new fire hall project. DBID has prequalified 3 firms to bid on the supply and installation of the steel building. Bids documents are just being finalized

Rate payers will start to see activity around the existing building as preliminary site preparation begins. Activities will include moving the storage container, installation of a new septic system and some tree removal.

Long Term Borrowing – Repayment of long term borrowing will be collected directly by the Surveyor of Taxes via the annual rural tax levy. This will not begin until the Fire Hall project is completed. DBID property owners will not see any repayment charge on their 2020 rural property taxes as the building will still be under construction for most of 2020.



UPCOMING MEETINGS:

REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS:

NOVEMBER 20, 2019
DECEMBER 18, 2019
JANUARY 15, 2020

LOCATION: 5031 MOUNTAINVIEW ROAD (DEEP BAY FIRE HALL)
TIME: 7:00 PM - PUBLIC IS WELCOME
Regular board meetings are held the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm unless otherwise noted. Meeting dates can be confirmed at the office and on the website.

CONTACT US:

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Drips & Drops..

- ◆ **Heading South?** Please remember to arrange payment for your Quarterly Water Tolls and Annual Parcel and Fire Protection invoices that will be mailed out in early January. **Pre Authorized Payment (PAP)** can be set up for any financial institution. **Post-dated cheques** are accepted at the office.
- ◆ **2020 Operating Budgets** and Capital Plans for Waterworks and Fire Protection were approved October 16, 2019 and copies are available from the office and on the website.

Fire Department News

Category 2 Open Burning allowed Oct. 15 – Apr. 15 without permit
CONDITIONS APPLY

Favourable Weather for Smoke Dispersion: burning must not be initiated unless the Environment Canada Ventilation Index is forecast as “good” for the burning period. Prior to burning check the venting index at: <http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/epd/epdpa/venting/venting.html> or call 1-888-281-2992.

Be considerate of your neighbours when burning so you don't impact their daily routine or health. Burn materials hot, infrequently and ONLY when venting permits so the smoke goes straight up.

Open Burning: no material other than *low moisture content garden refuse* may be burned.

Category 2 fires are no larger than 2 meters high x 3 meters wide and include the use of burn barrels.

Please note that it is the responsibility of all rate payers to be familiar with and abide by all district bylaws. **Fire Regulations Bylaw No. 223** is available for viewing at the office and is posted on the website (www.dbid.ca).



DEEP BAY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Christmas Food Drive

Door-to-door Collection

On behalf of The Salvation Army

Saturday, November 16th

**Door-to-door starting 10:00 am, donation
drop off at the hall 10 am to 2 pm**

Cash or cheque donations are welcomed

Please make cheques payable to “The Salvation Army”

Thank you in advance for your generous support.

Deep Bay Fire/Rescue Society

To date the society has contributed a whopping \$80,000 towards the Fire Hall Renewal project.

The society volunteered at the Beachfest this summer and has received \$3,630 as their portion of the gate donations! Thank you to all the volunteers that came out to man the gates!

Thank-you to the community for your continued support!

T-SHIRTS & HATS FOR SALE

Youth (Small to Large) - \$18.00

Adult (Small to XL) - \$20.00

XXL and over - \$22.00

Colours available: Red, Navy and Grey

Hats: \$20.00 (Colour: Navy)

These will make great Christmas gifts and you will be supporting our hard working volunteers!

Call Barb at 250-757-9902 to purchase



Volunteers are always needed for fundraising events. If you are interested in exploring volunteer opportunities, please contact Barb at 250-757-9902.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE: Tickets are just \$2.00 each and are available at businesses in Bowser and the DBID office. Members of the fire department and the Fire/Rescue Society also have tickets available.

Draw date December 14, 2019, winners will be notified December 15, 2019

Prizes include: Lift passes for Mount Washington, Handcrafted wood piece by Tanglewood Cedar, BC Ferries Voucher, Arrowsmith/Paradise golf vouchers, Spa vouchers and more!

Full information on the draw and prizes are available where tickets are sold.



TAX DEDUCTIBLE DONATIONS

The Deep Bay Improvement District (DBID) has applied for and received registration as a "Qualified Donee" as determined by Canada Revenue Agency.

As a qualified donee, DBID is eligible to receive gifts from registered charities (like the Deep Bay Fires/Rescue Society) and to issue official receipts for gifts received. Within specified limits (as per the *Income Tax Act*) and if supported by official receipts, individual taxpayers may claim a credit against taxes payable, and corporations may claim a deduction in computing taxable income, for the eligible amount of a gift made to a qualified donee.

If you were thinking of making a gift of a donation this Christmas, please think of the Deep Bay Volunteer Fire Department. Donations in support of our new fire hall will go directly to the Fire Hall Replacement Fund. Donations can also be directed to equipment purchases or vehicle replacement.

Please note that our Fire Department volunteers are not able to solicit for or accept donations directly.